EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

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French Heavy Guns Pound Siegfried Wall

Mill Creek Yiel's Two Bodies

Ethell, Hillman Youths Drown At High Street

Spaniel Dog Finds Body in 14-Foot Depth, Other Near by

Week's Mystery Closed; Coroner Plans no Formal Inquest

The week-old mystery surrounding disappearance of Bobby Hillman, 7, and Bobby Ethell, 8, was cleared yesterday at 4:30 p.m. when police removed two small bodies from a 14-foot hole in Mill creek a few yards west of the South High street bridge.

Discovery of the bodies was made when a small spaniel dog belonging to Paul, 10, and Charles Bales, 6, of 437 South Liberty street, dragged the body of the Hillman boy to shore while swimming in the stream with his masters and with William, 9, and Richard Shirley, 11, of 555 South Commercial.

The Bales and Shirley boys, when they realized what the dog, "Dixie," had in its teeth, called to Dick Bennett, 10, who was across the stream. He notified police, who arrived shortly after to discover the body of the Ethell lad. Fathers Ascertain

Boys' Identification Identification was made later by the fathers, Adolph Hillman, 2170 Berry street, and Kenneth Ethell, Route 5.

Coroner L. E. Barrick stated definitely last night that all evidence pointed to death by drowning, from the condition of the bodies, on the day of their disappearance, August 31.

According to authorities who made a brief examination of the bodies, n. external marks of violence could be found on either. Bare Feet Factor

In Swimming Theory This, and the fact that the feet of both boys were bare, lent foundation to an unofficial suggestion that they had drowned while wading. Lack of evidence of external concussion seemed to rule out the possibility that they had fallen while crossing or playing on the unfinished High street bridge structure only 10 yards away.

Coroner Barrick indicated last night that there would probably be no formal inquest. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

The Hillman and Ethell boys disappeared a week ago yesterday, the day on which a circus was showing in Salem. When they failed to return after remarking to their parents that they intended to visit the circus, a general search was begun of all county roads, streams, departing railroad cars and other places.

Yesterday the report was current that they were in Portland, possibly living in a transient's jungle. They were said to have been positively identified in Canby and Oregon City and later to havebeen seen on Portland streets.

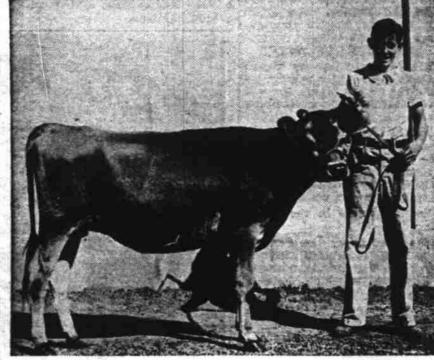
The sheriff's office, which directed a volunteer search party last week, issued thanks last night to the Veterans of Foreign Wars and to the general public for their assistance.

Nelson to Come To Prison Today

TOLEDO, Ore., Sept. 7 .- (A)-Henry S. Nelson, Portland salesman who was convicted of manslaughter as a result of the shooting of Captain Richard Earl at Depoe bay a year ago last July, must serve nine years in prison. The state supreme court today denied his appeal from a

previous court decision refusing im a new trial. Lincoln County Sheriff George Robinson said he would deliver Nelson to the state because the town failed to appenitentiary Friday.

PROUD STATESMAN CARRIER



Money earned as an Oregon Statesman carrier enabled James Baker, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Baker, 130 Ratcliffe drive, to enter a prize-winning Jersey senior yearling at the state fair this week. James' cow won the grand championship of the Future Farmers show. He paid \$120 for her. James has been getting up early six mornings a week to deliver The Statesman to doorsteps in south Salem and Salm Heights since June 1, 1938. He handles his route with as much care and pride as he does his cow, according to Harold G. Pruitt, circulation manager. As a result he rarely has a customer complaint.

Farm Organization Day Slated at State's Expo

People of Rural Sectors Take Command Today; Smiling Skies Continue to Attract Good Crowds on Fourth Day

By PAUL H. HAUSER, JR.

The people for whom the fair was made get the fair-grounds today as the 78th Oregon state fair, so far riding immediately exploding." high ahead of 1938 totals, goes into the day dedicated to farm

It's the day for the Oregon State Grange, the 4H clubs, the Future Farmers and all the sterling citizens who gain their livelihood from the soil.

Portlanders yesterday almost equalled the enthusiasm of Salem people for the fair as 11,884 swarmed the grounds, a figure but 181 less than last year when 12,065 were on hand.

Fair Today

9:00 a.m.-FFA lives tock

10:00 a.m.-4H livestock

10:00 a.m.-Grange song con

2:00 p.m.—State Federation

2:15 p.m.-4H boys' team

Francisco Sheriff's Mounted

vue, Eddie Peabody.

Mojica's orchestra playing.

tions, contests begin.

concert, main gate.

building.

tural building.

of Music program.

auction sale, club barns.

test, Wonderland theatre.

judging contest.

The 4H clubs announced their I first big award vesterday to get a head start on farm organization day as Wilma Gorton of Salem Heights was proclaimed the healthiest girl in the Oregon 4H clubs and Paul DeCourcey of Maupin,

the healthiest boy. Wilma Gorton scored 981 out of possible 1000 points while De-Courcey scored 984.7. Leo Erwert of Mt. Angel was second in the boy's contest with a score of 980.

11:00 a.m.-Municipal band Two big farm events open to-11:80 a.m.-FFA world's day's program, the state grange poultry congress team demonsong contest at the Wonderland stration, front of agricultural auditorium at 10 o'clock and the 4H livestock auction in the 4H 1:00 p.m.—State Federation livestock barns at the same hour. of Music program, art building. 1:80 p.m.—Post time, races. The Future Farmers, conducted in complement to the Smith-Hughes 1:45 p.m.—4H girls' team to agricultural education program, world's poultry congress gives open their livestock judging activdemonstration, front of agricul-

4-H Health

ities at 9 o'clock. Portland day crowds yesterday gave the races the best play they have had since Labor day as they shoved \$14,044 across the boards, a figure \$1,010 short of last year's total for Thursday.

2:30 p.m .- FFA poultry **Bugle Corps Applauded** team demonstration. Race track fans heard the Port-5:00 p.m .- State Federation land police bugle and drum corps of Music program. give out with some novelty num-7:00 p.m.—4H program, style revue, Wonderland theatre, bers, decidedly off the beaten track for similar musical organizagricultural building. ations, and applauded them lust-8:00 p.m.-Horse show, San ily, Mayor Joseph K. Carson was

award in the Mayor's Handicap. 8:00 p.m .- All American re-The grandstand was packed again for the night show, the All 9:30 p.m.—Free dance, Leon American Revue, which word of mouth advertising around the grounds has heralded as the best entertainment at the fair. Attend-Goldendale Schools Dark ance at the horse show was hi by the growing popularity of the grandstand event, which features GOLDENDALE, Wash., Sept. 7 Eddie Peabody, world famed ban--(AP)-The grade and high joist, Zoe Dell Lantis, and the All schools failed to open Tuesday

unable to appear to present the

American glamour girls. The state grange song contest his morning will present six re-(Turn to Page 2, Column 4.)

Falls Flaming Night Catastrophe Sees

Bomber Crash Radio Wire, San Diego

5 US Fliers

Die as Plane

Two More Feared Lost as Bomber Usually Carried Seven

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Sept. 7 —(P)—At least five men were reported killed tonight when a navy bombing plane struck an-tenna wires of the Chollas Heights navy radio station and crashed to the ground in

Eddie McLarney, fire department battalion chief who sped to the scene, said he saw five bodies in the smoking wreckage, and added that ships of that type usually carried a crew of seven.

A search of wreckage and near-

by brush failed to disclose any bodies that might have been thrown clear. He said the craft seemed to be of the patrol bomb-er type, a two-engined craft.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Diday, eye witnesses of the crash, said they were sitting in an automobile at the radio station at the time.

"As the plane flew over our heads we saw the pilot was in trouble and about to crash into the antenna," Diday said. "One of the motors was sputtering, then the engines became quiet and the plane tipped to the right The tip of the wing hit the wires and the plane crashed into a roar,

There was no immediate information available from naval officials as the personnel of the

A fireman who answered the alarm said there was a cloud over the radio station and it was possible the pilot did not see the

Fire trucks were unable to reach the plane which crashed on a hilltop 3000 feet from the ra-

Chief McLarney said all the bodies were burned beyond recognition and all were in the front part of the plane. He said hand extinguishers which were the only equipment that could be brought to the burning plane were

unable to stop the flames. Navy fire crews with special equipment to fight gasoline fires were rushed to the plane, which crashed about 10 p. m.

Hoboes Pingle up Travelers' Checks In Boxcar Holdup

SPOKANE, Sept. 7-(P)-Fifteen transients filed out of a railroad box car tonight and told sheriff's officers a story of a modern Jesse James who took all their \$20 cash and travelers' cheques but returned one man's heirloom watch and turned down another's check

men told this story: The bandit, brandishing a

To one he returned a watch; to another, the personal check for \$80. He hopped off the train as it slowed at the edge

FRENCH TEST HITLER'S WALL



valley on the north-and toward the historic Burgundy Gate on the south-a 20-mile valley running northeastward from France into the famous Black forest. Here in map form is the setting for the new battleground on the western front, Last night's dispatches told of a heavy French bombardment of the German wall on a wide front. (AP photo).

Jubilant Germans Hear Of Victories in Poland

Polish Defense Crumbles, Army Reports Asserting; no Direct Word Heard From Warsaw,

Where Battle Rages, for Hours

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER BERLIN, Sept. 7 .- (AP) -A spirit of victory was in the a quick decision. air in Berlin tonight as the result of German army reports of

sweeping gains against a crumbling Polish adversary. German armies had clamped Polish forces in three great vises, one of which was reported inexorably clamping down on Warsaw with the main jaw of the advance only 20 miles from the capital's northern limit.

Official reports said the army of Adolf Hitler was converging from three sides upon Poznan, a city of 275,000 population and farthest west of any Polish-held territory. The towns of Wagrowiec, 28 miles

yours.

days of assault.

were "fighting like lions" 30

(It was believed that the

Poznan and Warsaw radio sta-

(Budapest reported that

from Warsaw, today appealed to

the populace to "stem the new

German officialdom felt that

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tions had been abandoned.

Subs Sink Pair northeast, and Obornik, 18 miles north of Poznan had been captured, as had the town of Koxmin, Of Six Targets 43 miles south. To the west of Poznan the Germans also were de-

Feared German U-Boats Open up; Some Ships **Escape Torpedoes**

By the Associated Press German submarine warfare, which almost won the World war for Kaiser Wilhelm, became an important element of the new European conflict last night as at least six more allied ships were attacked in the Atlantic by the universally-feared U-boats.

Two of these, the British freighters Manaar and Olivegrove, when it was reported the poles were reported sunk. No imemdiate word was received of the miles north of Warsaw to save fate of the others, the British their capital. Pukkastan and French Tamara,

also freighters. Still another feighter, the Cunard Royal Sceptre, was added to the roll of victims by the Brit- broadcast from Lwow, the only ish ministry of information, which remaining Polish station in southannounced also that the Corinthic eastern Poland about 125 miles had been attacked but reached

Previously listed were the Brit- march of barbarism and antiish liner Athenia—Berlin has de- Christianity in Europe.) nied she was torpedoed-and the

Massive Army Is Poised to Strike

Hundreds of Thousands of Troops Are Ready to Hit Weakest Spot; More Pill Boxes Taken

Defenses; to Halt Seizure of Rich Saar Sector

battalions worked through the night at the Istein fort on the Rhine, north of Basel, apparently building additional pill boxes on the vine-covered slopes of the nazi "Rhineland Gibraltar."

The workers used shielded lights which were invisible from

The mammoth Istein fortifications, dismantled during the World war, have been rebuilt much stronger than ever.

tier elbows away from the Rhine, to the Saar frontier. While the big guns boomed, hundreds of thousands of

French troops moved under protection of the Maginot line into position, ready to strike at the points the high command decides is the weakest.

A French communique tonight reported heavy German troops concentrations in the Moselle valley.

Chamberlain Reviews War

Hitler Hoping for Quick Kayo

however, French troops were "in contact with the enemy" on the western front and the British air force and navy were striking hard at German U-boats and warships. The Polish army, he said, was contesting every yard of the German advance" although it was 'outnumbered and outgunned"

and fighting "against overwhelming superiority in the air." Other important points in the prime minister's statement were: (1) The British air raid on Germany fleet bases around the Kiel canal Monday night had resulted

clared to be progressing.
In the advance on Lodz, 80 Germany's three "pocket" battlemiles southwest of Warsaw, the Germans were reported to have captured the town of Rawa-Mazo-

Field Marshal Herman Wilhelm flights this week. Goering told his air force: "Mastery of the air in the east is

readiness." Even the Wasterplatte, the tiny Polish munitions station in Danzig harbor, had fallen after six (No direct word has been heard

against Poland the prime minister said, "The Polish soldier has ever shown himself to be a courageous and determined fighter from Warsaw since 12:35 p. m. and today he is worthily maintain-Wednesday-6:25 a. m. EMTing this tradition,"

David Langland, 17, was

into quitting his flight. Langland was being taken

Following Barrage

German Troops Bolster Moselle Valley

BASEL, Switzerland, Sept. 8-(Friday)-(P)-German labor the French side of the river.

BASEL, Switzerland, Sept. 7-(AP)-French heavy artillery today hammered the main forts of Germany's Siegfried line from Lauterbourg, where the French-German fron-

The French movements in the Saar region, however, were confined for the time being to local action, reports received here said. The French were said to have taken more pill boxes in German

to Cologne.

mountains.

war began.

them.

Long-Laid Plans

Now in Execution

Observers Doubt

that stronghold.

Storming of Forts

territory before the main post-

The Moselle valley between the

Great French forts guard both

sides of the Moselle near Sierck,

while the Germans guard the

Moselle and Rhine valley routes

Military observers in Switzer-

These observers said, however,

the Saarland coal fields might

fall, at least partially, into French

possession with but little resist-

sibility was that "Louis Napoleon

captured the Saar early in the

Franco-Prussian war but lost"

the other great fortified area at

In this latter area the French

have spent billions of francs in

building fortifications and have

concentrated tens of thousands of

Senagalese and other troops to guard the vital Burgundian gate

between the Jura and Vosges

The Istein forts, considered

the key to the entire South Baden

Black forest, were inspected twice

by Adolf Hitler just before the

In view of the strength of both

extremities of the Siegfried line,

foreign military observers in

Switzerland expected the French

to strike somewhere between

ed that General Maurice Gamelin,

generalissimo of the combined

Reports received here indicat-

the Swiss end of the two lines.

German comment on this pos-

land doubted that the French

would risk a head-on assault in

tions of the Siegfried line.

Prime Minister Thinks principality of Luxembourg and the Saar, is one of the two most heavily fortified regions of both

By MAX HARRELSON LONDON, Sept. 7 .- (A) -- Prime Minister Chamberlain declared today in a general review of the five-day-old war that Germany appeared to be concentrating her "first main effort against Poland" in the hope of 'a short war and

He told the house of commons,

in 'at least two hits" on one of

British bombers dropped more than 10,000,000 leaflets over Germany in three night (3) All squadrons of the Brit-

ish fighter command are "at war stations and in a state of instant Referring to the German drive

Policeman's Shots Cow Jail Fugitive

housed in a dark, inside cell at the rear of the county jail yesterday afternoon after he broke from two officers at the door of the courthouse elevator and gave them a two-blocks chase. He was captured on a Chemeketa street used car lot when a short fired in the air by City Patrolman Louis A. Burgess frightened him

along with Jesse Neal, 19, to circuit court, when he made his break for freedom. The two later pleaded guilty before Judge L. I. McMahan to a burglary charge. They were returned to Anti-tank spikes set in concrete jail pending word from Caliofrnia guarded main entrances to the authorities, who may want them. city.

French-British forces, was directing his powerful army through steps planned for years on paper and backed up by men and materials. Railroad spurs for French railway guns, motor roads and air bases, many of which were constructed since Hitler came to

General Henri Guisan, commander-in-chief of the Swiss army, who is schooled in both German and French military methods, concentrated his strong, well-

power in 1933, are being used for

the present French concentra-

equipped citizen army in Basel. The city itself was turned into a fort. Basel teemed with troops and every other street corner was converted into a stronghold with huge, steel girders, railroad ties and other building materials.

German Reports Laud Stand Of Polish Garrison Troops

BERLIN, Sept. 7-(P)-Germans | German military men admitted said tonight 100 Poles lost their the fortification held out much lives in the slege of the Westerplatte garrison in Danzig harbor and that the remaining 126 sur-rendered before an infantry and warship Schleswig Holstein which

The story of the gallant weekheavy aerial and naval bombard-ments began to trickle into Ber-even 28 centimeter shells from lin tonight.

longer than they had expected The first shot was fired at 4:45 flame throwers' attack only be-cause they had nothing left to eat. days before. The Westerplatte was subjected long stand of the Poles under to a heavy shelling and bombing

The Westerpulatte is a well-damage because the fortification's fortified promontory sticking into Danzig harbor and is difficult to approach from the land.

Danzig harbor and is difficult to Aerial bombs also failed to (Turn to Page 2, Column 4.)

Eugene Horse Is Repeater Fourth Time at First Spot |den by Dr. George C. Saunders Dean Harvester, owned and of Portland.

driven by Dr. James A. Bradley of Eugene, won first ribbon for dle horse class, Anacacho Honey the fourth consecutive day when owned by Gerald Frank of Garden shown in the roadsters to bike Home and ridden by Joann Jenevent at last night's horse show at the Oregon state fair. This sensational brown stallion will again with her own horse, Bourbe shown in the same event the remaining two nights of the horse show in competition for a \$100 stake.

Again a winner was the sixhorse work team owned by Nor- Edna, owned by the L. R. Banks vel Martin and driven by Dr. F.

E. Bentley of The Dalles. This is in competition for the Burge perpetual trophy and a \$500 stake.

The sheriff's posse from San

In the ladies three-gaited sad-

sen of Portland, took first ribbon. Young Miss Jensen took honors bon's Surprise in the park hacks

event. Combination five-gaited class was won for the second time during the week by Corinthian's

The sheriff's posse from San The opening event of the show in the jumpers class was won by Briarwood Knave, owned and rid- (Turn to Page 2, Column 6.)

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 7-(A)—Southpaw Ad Liska pitched a seven-inning three-hit game and blanked Los Angeles, 4-1, to give Portland both ends of a

Late Sports

Pacific Coast league double-header tonight. The Beavers won the nine-inning opener 5-4. Second night game: Los Angeles 1 8 1 Portland Flores and Sueme; Liska HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 7-(P)-

Other Coast league scores last night will be found on

Seats and Grilk; Osborne,

Deputy Bill Dieter said the

pistol, lined his victims up in the rattling box car as the train approached Spokane, made each one back toward him and made a thorough search of their pockets.

FUEHRER WILDLY ACCLAIMED AT FRONT



wildly heiled by nazi troops, Hitler is surrounded by a staff of generals. At his right is German Foreign Minister Joachim Von Ribbentrop. Hitler gave orders that all captured Poles be immediately put to work. The Polish government, meantime, abandoned Warsaw for an unidentified temporary capital. (IIN photo).